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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the regulation of motor fuel, by providing
2 standards for gasoline and for the advertisement of renewable
3 fuel.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 214A.1, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 8A. "E=10 gasoline" means ethanol blended
1 4 gasoline formulated with ten percent ethanol by volume, if the
1 5 formulation meets the standards provided in section 214A.2.
1 6 Sec. 2. Section 214A.2, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph
1 7 4, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:
1 8 Octane number for regular grade unleaded gasoline shall
1 9 follow the specifications of A.S.T.M. international but shall
1 10 not be less than ~~eighty-seven~~ eighty-five.
1 11 Sec. 3. Section 214A.3, subsection 2, paragraph b,
1 12 subparagraph (1), Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:
1 13 (1) Ethanol blended gasoline sold by a dealer shall be
1 14 designated E=xx where "xx" is the volume percent of ethanol in
1 15 the ethanol blended gasoline. However, a ~~person advertising~~
1 16 ~~retail dealer dispensing~~ E=10 gasoline ~~may only need not~~
1 17 designate it as ethanol blended gasoline. A person shall not
1 18 knowingly falsely advertise ethanol blended gasoline by using
1 19 an inaccurate designation in violation of this subparagraph.
1 20 Sec. 4. Section 214A.16, Code 2007, is amended to read as
1 21 follows:
1 22 214A.16 NOTICE OF BLENDED RENEWABLE FUEL == DECAL.
1 23 1. a. ~~If motor fuel containing a renewable fuel is sold~~
1 24 ~~from a~~ Except as provided in paragraph "b", a motor fuel pump,
1 25 ~~the pump located at a retail motor fuel site shall have~~
1 26 affixed a decal identifying the name of the ~~any~~ renewable fuel
1 27 ~~dispensed from the motor fuel pump.~~ The decal may be
1 28 different based on the type of renewable fuel ~~used being~~
1 29 ~~dispensed.~~ The ~~design and~~ location of the decal shall be
1 30 prescribed by rules adopted by the department. ~~A decal~~
1 31 ~~identifying a renewable fuel shall be consistent with~~
1 32 ~~standards adopted pursuant to section 159A.6.~~ The department
1 33 may approve an application to place a decal in a special
1 34 location on a ~~motor fuel~~ pump or container or use a decal with
1 35 special lettering or colors, if the decal appears clear and
2 1 conspicuous to the consumer. The application shall be made in
2 2 writing pursuant to procedures adopted by the department.
2 3 b. A motor fuel pump located at a retail motor fuel site
2 4 that dispenses E=10 gasoline is not required to have affixed a
2 5 decal identifying the name of the renewable fuel. However,
2 6 the retail dealer may elect to have the decal affixed to the
2 7 motor fuel pump on a location designated by the retail dealer.
2 8 2. The decal provided in this section shall be designed in
2 9 a manner that is consistent with the standards adopted by the
2 10 renewable fuels and coproducts advisory committee pursuant to
2 11 section 159A.6.

EXPLANATION

2 12 This bill provides for the regulation and promotion of
2 13 motor fuel by the department of agriculture and land
2 14 stewardship.
2 15 The bill changes the minimum octane number for regular
2 16 grade unleaded gasoline from 87 to 85.
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2 18 The bill provides that a retail dealer of motor fuel is no
2 19 longer required to advertise that gasoline contains a 10
2 20 percent blended ethanol (E=10) including by placing a
2 21 renewable fuel decal on a motor vehicle pump which dispenses
2 22 E=10. The retail dealer may elect to place a decal on the
2 23 motor fuel pump. A decal must be affixed to a motor fuel pump
2 24 which dispenses other forms of renewable fuel. A renewable
2 25 fuel is produced from a biomass and generally includes either
2 26 (1) some form of ethanol blended gasoline or (2) biodiesel or
2 27 some form of biodiesel blended fuel. Code section 214A.1
2 28 defines "ethanol" as ethyl alcohol.
2 29 The office of renewable fuels and coproducts and the
2 30 department of agriculture and land stewardship would still be
2 31 responsible for designing decals and the department would
2 32 continue to be responsible for the inspection and enforcement
2 33 of requirements relating to their placement on motor fuel
2 34 pumps.
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